



He was lifted up,
and a cloud took him from their sight.
-- Acts 1:9

Collections

| May 21, 2017 | |
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| Adults | 393.00 |
| Plate | 27.00 |
| Candles | 5.00 |
| Haiti | 7.00 |
| Communications | 69.00 |
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*Visitation of the
Blessed Virgin Mary*

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Acts 19:1-8; Ps 68:2-3ab, 4-5acd, 6-7ab; Jn 16:29-33
 Tuesday: Acts 20:17-27; Ps 68:10-11, 20-21; Jn 17:1-11a
 Wednesday: Zep 3:14-18a or Rom 12:9-16; Is 12:2-3, 4bcd-6; Lk 1:39-56
 Thursday: Acts 22:30; 23:6-11; Ps 16:1-2a, 5, 7-11; Jn 17:20-26
 Friday: Acts 25:13b-21; Ps 103:1-2, 11-12, 19-20ab; Jn 21:15-19
 Saturday: Acts 28:16-20, 30-31; Ps 11:4, 5, 7; Jn 21:20-25
 Sunday: Vigil: Gn 11:1-9 or Ex 19:3-8a, 16-20b or Ez 37:1-14 or Jl 3:1-5; Ps 104:1-2a, 24, 35c, 27-28, 29bc-30; Rom 8:22-27; Jn 7:37-39
 Day: Acts 2:1-11; Ps 104:1, 24, 29-31, 34; 1 Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13; Jn 20:19-23

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DEACONS ORDAINED—Yesterday our Diocese had five men ordained to the Permanent Diaconate. Those ordained are Mark Lister, Matt Irish, and Dixon Powers from St. Patrick's Parish in North Platte; Mark Stadler and Michael Davis from Holy Spirit Parish in North Platte.

Deacons can baptize, witness marriages, perform funeral and burial services (outside of Mass), distribute holy Communion and preach a homily. They cannot celebrate Mass, hear confessions or administer the sacrament of the anointing of the sick. They are obligated each day to pray the Liturgy of the Hours. Deacons were first appointed in the earliest days of the church when the special ministry of servicing the poor.

Permanent deacons, ordained after several years of theological preparation, may be single or married.

MAGNIFICAT BRUNCH—Saturday, June 17, 2017—9 a.m. to Noon MT Holy Rosary Lyceum, 916 Cheyenne Ave., Alliance, NE (on 9th Street) Katie Dubas grew up in Kearney, NE and resides in Imperial after having lived in OH, ND, & SD. She began ministry work at age 20 by serving on NET Ministries (National Evangelization Teams) and traveling all over the US. After finishing her BA in Theology & Catechetics from Franciscan University of Steubenville, she jumped into various parish ministries: RCIA, K-12 children's catechesis, sacrament prep, summer VBS, Bible Studies, and worked at the diocesan level in evangelization and catechesis for eight years before following her heart back to NE. In 2013, she was diagnosed with melanoma skin cancer plus thyroid cancer – both were remedied with very little followup treatment. She currently works as a regional Youth Minister for Grant Deanery containing nine small parishes, four priests and six youth groups. She also has a love for singing in the church choir & shares her gift as often as possible. *Be still and know that I am God.* Psalm 46:10 Reservations required, Contact Teresa at 308-762-1368 or 308-786-3070. Send a check or money order for \$12 to Theresa Nelson, 1044 Yellowstone Ave, Alliance, NE 69301.

Liturgical Ministers

Sunday, May 28

Rosary: Mark Perlinger
 Lector: Tim Holzfaster
 EM: Pattie Perlinger, Jan Spurgin, Vesta Dack
 Greeters: Don & Carolyn Theiler, Jim Knothe
 Gifts: Alf & Marge Perlinger
 Servers: Ainsley McConnell, Jacelyn Jorgensen

Sunday, May 21

Rosary: Jo Perlinger
 Lector: Tania Fox
 EM: Cal & Terri Hoover, Jeremy Spurgin
 Greeters: Jeremy & Caroline Spurgin
 Gifts: Mitch & Lisa Mitchell
 Servers: Tanner Baltzell, Dana Storer



SHARE THE HOPE

The readings for today's celebration of the Ascension of the Lord once again remind us that as Christians we are people of hope. In the second reading Saint Paul eloquently exhorts the Ephesians to enlighten their hearts so that they will know the hope and glory that come from being people who place their trust in the Lord Jesus. In the story of the Ascension, recounted in the first reading, the Lord Jesus assures the disciples that the Holy Spirit's power will come upon them. Finally, in the Gospel, the Lord lets the disciples know that their mission is to spread the hope of the gospel to all the nations. This wonderful feast keeps our eyes focused on the hope in which we were grounded on the day of our baptism.

The Ascension of the Lord

May 28, 2017

HIGHER GROUND RETREATS 2017

!!!!Attention middle school, sophomores, juniors, seniors and first year graduates!!!! Come join 30-50 other young people and staff members in beautiful Western Nebraska for 5 days of fun and Christian community building. From Sunday evening to Friday noon, you will enjoy an informal atmosphere, where you have the opportunity to get to know more about yourself, others and God. Find out how rewarding it can be to play, pray and work together as a faith community. Past participants report life-long positive benefits!

Higher Ground-Ft. Robinson State Park, Crawford

Week 3: June 11-16, 2017

Registration deadline: June 2, 2017

Higher Ground II—Camp Norwesca, Chadron

Week 2: June 11-16, 2017

Registration deadline: June 2, 2017

Higher Ground—Middle Retreat

Week 2: June 25-29, 2017—Nebraska State 4-H Camp, Halsey

Registration deadline: June 16, 2016

There is **BUS SERVICE TO** this retreat only, you are responsible for return trip.

You can register on-line at highergroundretreats.org. The cost of the week is \$150. Financial assistance is available and can be requested through our website. Bus service includes a round-trip between Grand Island, Chadron/Camp Norwesca and Crawford/Fort Robinson State Park, stopping along Highway 2 at pre-determined locations. Round-trip bus fare is an additional \$80. Visit www.youthgidiocese.weebly.com to view the bus schedule. There is no bus for returning from Higher Ground Middle School Retreat.

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

If you could somehow transport a third-century Christian into your twenty-first-century Sunday Mass, once the initial shock wore off he or she would be more or less at home with the structure of the first part of the liturgy, the Word. The second part might be more difficult to comprehend. The stumbling block would be the book. We have a book, a missal that is set down on the altar with a very precisely prescribed set of words for the priest to say and the people to sing at the Eucharistic Prayer. In the early days of the church, there were no set "formulas" for this prayer. The ancients would have raised eyebrows at our "bookishness" since they preferred to let the prayers roll forth from a gifted leader of prayer. There was a basic shape to the prayer of thanksgiving, and almost general agreement that the words of Christ at the Last Supper ought to be included.

By the second century, Justin Martyr wrote that the presider "gives thanks at some length . . . and when he has finished the prayers and the thanksgiving, all the people present give their assent by saying 'Amen.'" In the world before books, people could memorize long passages of prose and poetry, and so it is easy to see how particular phrases or expressions passed from church to church.

MEMORIAL DAY

They fell, but o'er their glorious grave

Floats free the banner of the cause they died to save.

--Francis Marion Crawford

BULLETIN DEADLINE: Please have items for the Bulletin in by Thursday morning at the church office 386-4300. Email: sacredheart@gpcom.net.

PRAYER CHAIN—Please call Ardis Engler 239-4334 or Marge Perlinger 239-4425 to get it started.